

as follows:

Sec. 436.052. TERMS AND OFFICERS; *EX OFFICIO MEMBERS; DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE.*

SECTION 3. Section 436.052, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) The 13 public members of the commission serve staggered terms of six years with the terms of four or five members expiring February 1 of each odd-numbered year. A legislative member vacates the person's position on the commission if the person ceases to be the chair of the applicable legislative committee. *The ex officio member of the commission described by Section 436.051(a)(2)(C) vacates the person's position on the commission if the person ceases to hold the position that qualifies the person for service on the commission.*

(a-1) *The ex officio member of the commission described by Section 436.051(a)(2)(C) may designate a representative to serve on the commission in the member's absence. A representative designated under this subsection must be an officer or employee of the state agency the ex officio member serves.*

SECTION 4. Section 436.053, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 436.053. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES. (a) A public member of the commission is not entitled to compensation but is entitled to reimbursement, from commission funds, for the travel expenses incurred by the member while conducting the business of the commission, as provided by the General Appropriations Act.

(b) The entitlement of a legislative member to compensation or reimbursement for travel expenses is governed by the law applying to the member's service in that underlying position, and any payments to the member shall be made from the appropriate funds of the applicable house of the legislature.

(c) *The entitlement of the ex officio member described by Section 436.051(a)(2)(C) to compensation or to reimbursement for travel expenses incurred while transacting commission business is governed by the law that applies to the member's service in that underlying position, and any payment to the member for either purpose must be made from money that may be used for the purpose and is available to the state agency that the member serves in that underlying position.*

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 16, 2015: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting;
passed by the Senate on May 15, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 28, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

**CERTAIN INFORMATION INCLUDED ON A SEARCHABLE
DATABASE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND
PROTECTIVE SERVICES' INTERNET WEBSITE**

CHAPTER 158

H.B. No. 1180

AN ACT

relating to certain information included on a searchable database on the Department of Family and Protective Services' Internet website.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 42, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 42.025 to read as follows:

Sec. 42.025. SEARCHABLE DATABASE. (a) The department shall maintain on the department's Internet website a searchable database that includes the name, the address, and any identification number, as applicable, of each family home registered or listed under this chapter that previously had a registration or listing involuntarily suspended or revoked under this chapter with a permanent notation indicating the involuntary suspension or revocation and the year in which the suspension or revocation took effect or was final under this chapter.

(b) The executive commissioner may adopt rules as necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 2. Not later than December 31, 2015, the Department of Family and Protective Services shall include in a searchable database the information required by Section 42.025, Human Resources Code, as added by this Act, and the involuntary suspension and revocation information on a registered or listed family home for at least the five years preceding the date the information is added to the database.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 16, 2015: Yeas 145, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1180 on May 18, 2015: Yeas 131, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 15, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 28, 2015.

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**STUDY BY THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF
THE HYDROLOGY AND GEOLOGY OF THE CONFINED AND
UNCONFINED AQUIFERS IN THIS STATE**

CHAPTER 159

H.B. No. 1232

AN ACT

relating to a study by the Texas Water Development Board of the hydrology and geology of the confined and unconfined aquifers in this state.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. (a) The Texas Water Development Board shall conduct a study of the hydrology and geology of the confined and unconfined aquifers in this state to determine:

- (1) the quality and quantity of groundwater in those aquifers, specifically regarding the salinity of those aquifers;
- (2) whether those aquifers are tributary or non-tributary;
- (3) the contribution of those aquifers to any surface flow of any water in this state; and
- (4) the contribution of those aquifers to any other aquifer in this state.

(b) In conducting the study, the board shall produce:

- (1) a map that identifies the area and water quality of the confined and unconfined aquifers in this state;
- (2) a map that identifies which aquifers are tributary and which are non-tributary; and
- (3) a report on the contribution of those aquifers to any other aquifer in this state.

(c) Before conducting the study, the board shall determine the minimum rate at which an aquifer must contribute to another aquifer in this state or to the surface flow of any water in this state in order to be included in the study.